

During the tough years of the Great Depression, Auto-Owners demonstrated its corporate toughness and financial stability by paying all claims promptly, daily, and in cash.

In 1940, the company moved into the general causality insurance field, while also expanding operations into Indiana and Ohio. This growth was only the start, and over the next several decades the company would begin operations across the country.

Today, Auto-Owners operates in 26 states throughout the United States and has opened offices from Arizona to Virginia.

The company that originated with only five associates in a one room office now employs more than 4,500 associates and operates out of an expansive complex. The combined premium of all companies exceeds \$6 billion and total assets exceed \$20 billion, with more than 5 million policies in force for over 3 million policy holders.

Throughout the company's history, Auto-Owners has upheld a high reputation for excellence. The Fortune 500 Company has the highest possible ratings from A.M. Best Company, A++ (Superior), and the Auto-Owners Life Insurance Company is rated A+ (Superior).

I offer my best wishes to Auto-Owners Insurance as they continue to maintain their reputation of being the "No Problem" people.

#### HONORING MILITARY ENLISTEES

##### HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 27, 2016*

Ms. FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor 37 high school seniors in Florida's 22nd District who have decided to enlist in the United States Armed Forces.

Of the 37 from my district, seven have joined the Army; their names are the following: Gabriel Reis, Tyler Risko, Dave Marshall, Joan-Manuel Diaz Frias, Austin Budney, Matthew Disarle, and Jeremy Gonzalez.

Thirteen have joined the Marines; their names are the following: William Harding, Jordy Dejesus Garcia, Gina Cornejo, Matthieu Martelly, Moises Gonzalez Visoso, Antonio Smith, Kesley Juste, Adrian Rendon, James Ricer, Alexander Alvarez, Rolph Duplan, Kenneth Deangeles and Kaneisha Pinkney.

Two have joined the National Guard; their names are the following: Connor McClure and Merisanda Carstea.

Nine have joined the Navy; their names are the following: Hannah Pieciewicz, Robert Maldonado, Connor Schmitt, Rosalyn Ovalle, Jack Schwencke, Michael Jones, Jennifer Janvier, Nicolas Cruz Velez, and Elsa Bello.

Five have joined the Air Force; their names are the following: Nicholas Antonucci, Matthew Core, Pedro Franco, Kacper Palej, and Joshua Marquez.

One has joined the Coast Guard; his name is Marcus Tauber.

It is in thanks to the dedication of patriots like these that we are able to meet here today, in the United States House of Representatives, and openly debate the best solutions to the diverse issues that confront our country. On behalf of myself and all of my constituents in Florida's 22nd District, thank you for your service and best of luck as you pursue this challenging endeavor.

#### INTRODUCING THE HADIYA PENDLETON AND NYASIA PRYER-YARD GUN TRAFFICKING & CRIME PREVENTION ACT OF 2016

##### HON. YVETTE D. CLARKE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 27, 2016*

Ms. CLARKE of New York. Mr. Speaker, I proudly introduce The Hadiya Pendleton and Nyasia Pryer-Yard Gun Trafficking & Crime Prevention Act of 2016, the House companion legislation to Senator KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND's bill in the Senate.

This legislation would establish gun trafficking as a federal crime. Specifically, it increases the penalties for those directly involved in the illegal movement of guns across state lines, those who organize the gun trafficking rings and those who conspire to traffic guns.

Additionally, this legislation enforces gun trafficking as a federal crime punishable of up to twenty years in prison and up to \$250,000 in fines under Title 18. This legislation tackles firearm trafficking at each stage by also increasing the penalties for all personnel involved in the illegal movement of guns, including those who participate in trafficking rings and those who conspire to traffic guns.

Only 1 out of 10 guns used in a crime is wielded by the original purchaser and 1 in 3 guns used in criminal acts cross state lines. Ninety percent of guns found at crime scenes in New York City were originally purchased out of state and illegally brought to the city. Unfortunately, current crime laws are arbitrary: the act of selling guns without the necessary federal license carries the same punishment as trafficking chickens and cows across state lines. This critical legislation would not only make gun trafficking a federal crime, but it will also provide tools to law enforcement to get illegal guns off the streets, away from criminal networks and street gangs, and prosecute those who traffic firearms.

The bill was named after Hadiya Pendleton and Nyasia Pryer-Yard—two high school students who were killed in recent years. In both cases, the individuals were killed by people that were in illegal possession of a firearm. Hadiya Pendleton was killed in Chicago, when shots were fired into a crowd of people. The shots were intended for members of the shooter's rival gang. Nyasia Pryer was killed in Brooklyn, while with friends. Witnesses said the shooting was gang related.

The Hadiya Pendleton and Nyasia Pryer-Yard Gun Trafficking & Crime Prevention Act of 2016 is common sense legislation that should be supported by all Members of the House. I ask my colleagues to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation.

#### HONORING 33 PALM BEACH COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

##### HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 27, 2016*

Mr. DEUTCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of 33 high school seniors from Palm Beach County who plan to enlist in the military

after graduation this spring. Their maturity and courage are a testament to their dedication to our country.

I am proud to represent a Congressional District that is home to veterans of every major conflict since World War II. I feel tremendous gratitude to these men and women in the armed services, veterans, and their families. My father, the late Bernard Deutch, volunteered to fight in World War II as a teenager where he earned a Purple Heart at the Battle of the Bulge. It was his example of service to our nation that motivated me to serve in Congress.

Congratulations to Roberto Montoya Bravo, Franchesco Garcia, Stephen Gordon, Alex-Lamar Stone, Niko Notare, Cristian McCusker, David Coleman, Manolo Vallejo, Jonathan Burrage, Garianne Baucicaut, Jessica Hole, Susana Hoyos Cuervo, Isaiah Ortiz, Carlos Avila, Rafael Mitre, Uriel Najera Merino, Harrison Magyarosi, Enrique Cadiz, Kaiden Parker Bolley, Daniel Machado, Jordan Norwood, Neslency Delice, Joshua White, Michael Rosa, Marek Gawel, Joshua Richardson, Nicholas Cutter, Lamar Butler Jr, Robert Del Carpio, Logan Peluso, Christopher Coronel, Sabrina Kutenits, and Camilo Rosado. I am pleased to honor them and I thank them for their future service.

#### RECOGNIZING RICHARD "DICK" AND ANNETTE GARIN WARREN ON THEIR PASSING

##### HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 27, 2016*

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Dick and Annette Warren of Hayward on the occasion of their passing away on March 23 and February 20, 2016, at the ages of 89 and 86, respectively.

After serving in the Army during World War II and graduating from Cal, Dick joined his father's company, Warren Transportation, later becoming the company's president until his retirement.

Dick was dedicated to the Hayward community where he lived, learning the value of giving back from his parents. He was a member and president of the Hayward Rotary Club, receiving a Paul Harris Fellowship for his contributions. Dick was also a member of organizations like the Hayward Area Historical Society, the California Trucking Association, and Rowell Ranch Board of Directors, among many others.

Annette, an alumna of the year from Holy Names High School in Oakland and a graduate of the San Francisco College for Women Lone Mountain, served as a teacher at Sherman Elementary in San Francisco. Annette was a member of the All Saints Parish in Hayward, hosting a Bible study class, the Order of Malta, where she served on projects to help the sick and the poor, and the St. Rose Hospital Foundation.

Dick and Annette were married in 1956, initially living in Castro Valley. They later moved to Hayward and raised their five sons, Guy, Richard, Jr., Rex, Garin, and Rob. They loved their family and friends, delighting in parties and celebrations.

The Warrens' commitment to the Hayward community was truly extraordinary. I want to